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IN THE ABSTRACT:

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A vehicle door consisting of at least one support element, at least one outer panel element and optionally an interior panel element, in which the support element contains at least one hinge, hinge plate or similar moving element and/or a closure element or the support element is or can be connected to the latter, wherein the support element has a service opening on its outer side and the service opening can be closed off by means of the outer panel element, in particular, with the support element already installed in the vehicle. In order to achieve an easing of the perfectly fitted assembling for vehicle doors, it is proposed that the outer panel element is or can be provided in at least part of its edge zones with an adjustable spacing element for precisely positioned fastening of the outer panel element to the support element and/or the stiffening element.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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